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(U) San Diego – Woman Armed With Pellet Gun Prompts Brief Shutdown of Marathon

(U) A woman wielding a pellet gun prompted police to briefly shut down San Diego's Rock 'n' Roll Marathon yesterday and halted thousands of runners before she was taken into custody, officials said. The woman, identified by police as Mona Elease Williams, 58, had not targeted the marathon and the incident was in no way connected to the race. The series of events began yesterday morning with a report to an officer working the marathon that a driver had fled the scene of a hit-and-run accident in San Diego. Police attempted to pursue her but backed off and called for help when she brandished what appeared to be a gun at them. Officers eventually chased her into a parking lot, where she surrendered. SOURCE: 3 June 2018, Reuters

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Georgia – Four More Die in E.Coli Outbreak Linked to Romaine Lettuce

(U) Atlanta – Four more people died from an E. coli outbreak linked to romaine lettuce, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said on 1 June, bringing the total toll to five. Twenty-five more people have taken ill since the last update from the agency on 16 May, with 197 patients from 35 states now affected, the CDC said. The patients who died were from Arkansas, California, Minnesota and New York. Most new cases involve people who became sick two or three weeks ago, when the tainted lettuce was still available for sale.

SOURCE: 1 June 2018, Reuters

(U) Oregon - Fights Break Out Between Antifa and Patriot Prayer

(U) Portland – Violence broke out in downtown Portland, Oregon, on Sunday as Antifa activists stormed a Patriot Prayer rally — about a year after similar dueling rallies triggered bloody fights and arrests. Some protesters hurled bottles and fireworks yesterday at police officers while others were caught with knives and other weapons, Portland Police tweeted. Officials encouraged people to get out of the immediate area "for their safety." The demonstrations came a year after the same two groups converged in downtown Portland for opposing rallies, KOIN reported. Last year's protests resulted in 14 arrests. Police said that while the city respects "the right to assemble," anyone with weapons or anyone involved in violent activities was subject to arrest.

SOURCE: 3 June 2018, FOX News

(U) Rhode Island – Several State Agencies Targeted By Malware Threat

(U) Providence – Some technical issues experienced by a few state agencies on Friday have been attributed to malware, according to a Department of Administration public information officer. She confirmed the agencies affected are the Department of Children, Youth and Families, Department of Human Services, and the Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities, and Hospitals. The Rhode Island State Police, Rhode Island National Guard and Emergency Management

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Agency worked together over the weekend to isolate and contain the threat. At this time, there's no evidence that any personal data has been breached, and first of the month payments for benefits have not been affected.

SOURCE: 3 June 2018, WPRI

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Afghanistan – Suicide Bomber Kills At Least Eight People

(U) Kabul – A motorcycle suicide bomber killed at least eight people near a gathering of Muslim clerics in the Afghan capital after they had issued a fatwa against suicide bombings, officials said, in the latest in a series of attacks to hit Kabul. The bomb exploded at the entrance to a giant tent, near residential buildings in the west of Kabul, after most the clerics had left. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack, which underlines deteriorating security ahead of parliamentary and district council elections set for 20 October.

SOURCE: 4 June 2018, Reuters

(U) England – Britain Says Militant Islamist Threat to Stay High and May Rise Further

(U) London – The threat posed by Islamist militants to Britain is expected to remain high for the next two years and could even rise, the interior ministry said yesterday, on the first anniversary of an attack that killed eight people in central London. The current threat level to Britain is assessed as severe, meaning an attack is highly likely. The government said it had foiled 25 Islamist militant plots since June 2013 - 12 of those since March 2017 - and was currently handling over 500 live operations. Britain will publish a revised counter-terrorism strategy today designed to cope with what it said was a shift in the threats the country faces as militants of all ideologies adopt new tactics.

SOURCE: 3 June 2018, Reuters

(U) Indonesian – Authorities Detain Three Over Suspected Plot to Attack Government

(U) Pekanbaru – Indonesian anti-terrorism police detained three former students in a raid on a university campus in Pekanbaru, on Sumatra Island, and seized crude bombs and other explosive material. The men, who have been named as suspects, are thought to have been planning to attack the local parliament in Pekanbaru, the capital of Riau province. During Saturday's raid on a faculty at Riau University, police found a pipe bomb, a homemade grenade, as well as the homemade explosive triacetone triperoxide (TATP). They also seized an air rifle and sets of bows and arrows, as well as other material such as fertilizer that could be used to make bombs. Authorities have highlighted concerns about a rise in radicalism at universities in the world's biggest Muslim-majority country.

SOURCE: 3 June 2018, Reuters

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